

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Claims 1, 11, 21, 31, and 37 are amended, claims 7-10, 17-20, 27-30, 32, and 35-36 are canceled herein. With entry of this amendment, claims 1-6, 11-16, 21-26, 31, 33-34, and 37-38 will be pending.

Claims 1, 11, 21, and 31 have been amended to include the limitations of claim 35 and claim 36, which was objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim. Accordingly claims 1, 11, 21, and 31, and the claims depending therefrom, are believed to be in proper form for allowance.

Claim 37, which was objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim, has been amended to include the limitations of base claim 1 and intervening claim 35. Accordingly, claim 37 is believed to be in proper form for allowance.

In the Advisory Action dated November 9, 2007, the Examiner stated that the Amendment filed on October 19, 2007 would not be entered because of new claims 39-48. The present Amendment does not include any new claims. Amendment of claims 1, 11, 21, 31, and 37 place the claims in form for allowance (per Allowable Subject Matter section of the final Office Action dated October 9, 2007). Thus, entry of this amendment after final rejection is appropriate.

For the foregoing reasons, Applicants believe that all of the pending claims are in condition for allowance and should be passed to issue. If the Examiner feels that a telephone conference would in any way expedite the prosecution of the application, please do not hesitate to call the undersigned at (408) 399-5608.

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